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TOPIC 1. Zwelfaxing Airfield2. Schwechat Military PostEVALUATION 25X1

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REMARKS

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1. Between 3:30 p.m. and 4:30 p.m. on 10 November 1953, 6 Pe-2s were observed at Zwelfaxing (P 49/X 48) airfield. There was a 10/10 overcast at an altitude of about 1,000 meters, no wind, and good visibility. No air activity was conducted. Activity was seen near the parked Pe-2s

No railroad cars were observed on the spur track at the field or at Himberg railroad station. About 30 men were drilling in the area of the damaged hangars. An aiming device was located nearby. A captain wearing red-bordered black epaulets and artillery insignia arrived in a bus and, after alighting, went to the drilling troops.

2. The Altkettenhof at Schwechat (P 49/X 48) military post was guarded by sentries wearing black-bordered blue epaulets. Eight trucks were parked in the yard of the garages. Two men wearing black-bordered blue epaulets and armed with submachine guns patrolled along the fence outside of the installation. No personnel, weapons or parked motor vehicles were observed in the rear section of the installation. Only a large pile of coal was seen there. No activity was observed in the billeting area. A captain wearing blue service color entered the installation.

Comment. Zwelfaxing airfield is not believed to be occupied by an air unit. The number of Pe-2s at the field continually decreases. It is believed that the aircraft are being stripped. Schwechat military post and Zwelfaxing airfield are only occupied by ground units and AAA units of the Soviet Air Force.

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